

IN THE CLAIMS

1-12 (canceled)

13. (new): A composite vessel construction for cosmetic products, said composite vessel construction comprising an inner body and an outer body, having a configuration different from that of said inner body, said inner body and said outer body being embedded into one another as said composite vessel construction is comolded, wherein said inner body is made of polypropylene and said outer body is made of a rubber material, wherein said inner body comprises a main portion and a cover, for covering said main portion, and wherein said cover comprises a plurality of holes allowing a material forming said outer body to penetrate into said outer body, thereby said outer body also forms an inner portion of said cover.

14. (new): A vessel construction, according to claim 13, in which said main portion of said inner body comprises a bottom element, raised from a bottom of said main portion, wherein said main portion has a top outer edge portion comprising an annular outer ridge portion adapted to snap engage with a corresponding annular inner ridge portion formed on an inner surface of said cover, to tight close said cover.

15. (new): A vessel construction, according to claim 13, wherein said outer body comprises a substantially cylindrical outer crowned portion encompassing a side surface of said main portion, which is of

substantially cylindrical configuration, and an outer portion applied to a top outer surface of said cover.

16. (new): A vessel construction, according to claim 13, wherein said inner portion of said outer body provides, with said vessel construction in an open condition thereof, an exposed to the view surface cooperating with the top edge of said main portion of the inner body to seal said vessel as said vessel is closed by said cover.

17. (new): A vessel construction, according to claim 13, in which said cover is coupled to said vessel body by a hinge assembly which is made either by molding as a single piece with said inner body or as a single piece with said outer body, wherein said hinge assembly comprises cut-out portions to facilitate said cover in performing opening and closing movements.

18. (new): A vessel construction, according to claim 17, wherein said hinge assembly is made as a single piece with said inner body and connects said main portion to said cover.

19. (new): A vessel construction, according to claim 17, wherein said hinge assembly is made as a single piece with said outer body and connects said substantially cylindrical outer crowned portion to said inner portion of said cover.